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SUBJECT: JUSMAG THAILAND EMBASSY/STATE DEPARTMENT HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR: JCET BALANCE TORCH 08-1/08-2, BEGINNING OCTOBER 6, 2007

REF: A. JUSMAG/THAI MEMO DATED 24 JULY 2007

- ¶B. 05 STATE 021314 GUIDANCE
  ¶C. 03 STATE 34981 GUIDANCE
- 11. (U) This is an action request for human rights verification required by the Leahy Amendment; see Para. 2.
- (U) JUSMAG/THAI has requested that the Embassy/State Department complete human rights vetting request for the two units listed below, who have been selected to attend the above-mentioned course. Embassy Bangkok possesses no credible information at this time of gross violations of human rights by these units. Embassy Bangkok Political Officer, Guy Margalith, is the verifying officer for the Embassy/Department of State.

BALANCE TORCH 08-1/08-2 UNIT PARTICIPANTS:

Royal Thai Army, Special Operations Squadron, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Regiment Unit Commander: Lt.Col. Indhanondh RATANAKARN, DPOB: May 26, 1972; Bangkok, TH.

Royal Thai Army, 31st Infantry Regiment (King's Guard) Unit Commander: Col. Jiraphan MALEEKAEW, DPOB: Dec 6, 1958; Bangkok, TH.

13. Please inform Embassy Bangkok POL Section should additional information be required. Thank you. ENTWISTLE